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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: MOVEMENT OF ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS FROM BANGLADESH INTO WEST
BENGAL

1. A FRENCH NATIONAL ATTACHED TO THE WHO SMALLPOX ERADICATION
TEAM TOLD CONSOFF OCTOBER 1 THAT SECURITY ON BOTH SIDES OF THE
WEST BENGAL/BANGLADESH BORDER HAD INCREASED SUBSTANTIALLY
SINCE THE DEATH OF SHEIK MUJIB IN AUGUST OF 1975. HE NOTED THAT
WHO FIGURES FOR JULY AND AUGUST SHOW A REMARKABLE DROP IN THE
NUMBER OF ILLEGAL BORDER CROSSERS FROM BANGLADESH INTO WEST
BENGAL. THE FOLLOWING ARE FOR TWO DISTRICTS IN WEST BENGAL WHICH
HE HAD FIGURES FOR. HE NOTES NO ONE CASTE OR RELIGION
PREDOMINATES AMONG THESE:

LEGAL ILLEGAL

24 PARGANAS 2,000 11,000 JULY
4,000 2,000 AUGUST

NADIA 3,000 7,000 JULY
2,000 1,000 AUGUST

ILLEGAL AS DEFINED BY WHO ARE THOSE WHO PENETRATE FIVE MILES
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INTO INDIA AND DO NOT RETURN TO BANGLADESH.

2. THIS CONFIRMS REPORTS THAT THE GOI HAD INCREASED ITS
SURVEILLANCE OF THE WEST BENGAL BORDER SINCE THE CHANGE IN
THE BANGLADESH GOVERNMENT.

3. IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE SOURCE OF THE ABOVE INFORMATION
BE PROTECTED.

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